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(B) STATE 107681 (DTG 112333Z MAY 77)

1. LAST NIGHT, DCM MILLS AND GREEK DELEGATION CHIEF CHRYSOSPATHEIS AGREED THAT, AFTER A BRIEF PAUSE, DCA DISCUSSIONS SHOULD BE RESUMED AT AN EARLY DATE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THE FAVORABLE TEMPO WHICH HAS CHARACTERIZED THE TALKS THESE SEVERAL PAST WEEKS. MILLS INFORMED CHRYSOSPATHEIS THAT THE U.S. WOULD BE PLEASED TO CONTINUE THESE DISCUSSIONS IN WASHINGTON IN EARLY JUNE IF THE GREEKS PREFERRED. CHRYSOSPATHEIS SAID THAT HE WOULD CONSULT WITH FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS AND REPLY THE NEXT DAY.

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2. FOLLOWING THE FINAL WORKING GROUP MEETING ON MAY 19, MILLS ACCOMPANIED BY FSO DWORKEIN AND COL. MAJORS MET WITH CHRYSOSPATHEIS TO CLOSE THIS SERIES OF DISCUSSIONS AND NAIL DOWN A FIRM DATE FOR THEIR EARLY RESUMPTION. CHRYSOSPATHEIS CONFIRMED THE GOG DECISION TO CONCLUDE DCA NEGOTIATIONS AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. HOWEVER, BECAUSE OF THE GREEK GOVERNMENT'S DESIRE TO MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY

AND PRESENT LOW-KEY FORMAT AT THE DISCUSSIONS, BITSIOS HAD DECIDED THAT THEY SHOULD CONTINUE IN ATHENS.

3. AS A CONSEQUENCE, SUBJECT TO WASHINGTON CONCURRENCE, IT WAS AGREED THAT THE DISCUSSIONS WOULD RESUME IN ATHENS ON MONDAY, JUNE 20. THIS DATE APPEARED CONVENIENT BECAUSE IT HAD TAKEN SOMEWHAT LONGER THAN ANTICIPATED TO REACH THE POINT WHERE A PAUSE WAS APPROPRIATE. IT WILL ALSO PROVIDE BOTH SIDES WITH A SHORT, BUT REASONABLE, PERIOD OF TIME IN WHICH TO PREPARE THEIR RESPECTIVE POSITIONS. THE GREEKS AGREED THAT TO DELAY BEYOND JUNE 20 COULD RESULT IN SLOWDOWN OF THE NEGOTIATING MOMENTUM WHICH WE BOTH WANT TO MAINTAIN.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON APPROVAL TO PAUSE NOW AND TO CONFIRM THE JUNE 20 RESUMPTION DATE WITH THE GREEKS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE A TELEPHONE REPLY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO AS TO RELEASE OUR WASHINGTON TEAM MEMBERS AFTER OUR FINAL REPORTS ARE PREPARED.
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